



IMA General Membership Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.
EAHS Instrumental Music Room

Call to Order: 7:02

Attendees: Mr. Ballentine, Jennifer Smith, Doris Lynch, Lynn Franklin, Kara Howe, Nicole Pierce, Kathy Raub, Laura Kelco, Joe Kelco, Carrie Stein, Katie Lindermann, Ashleigh Hoffmann, Kate Mattison, Jim Mattison, Tanya Slate, Ron Slate, John Stana, Nivia Silva, Gretchen Burwell, Marisa Pape, Christine Falkowski, Tricia Vargas, Dave Oren, Kelly Gabuch, Don Lynch, Chris Pacchioli, Suzanne Kessler, Jen Mazur, Carol Kontir, Larissa Gibbons, Christine Fortsch, Jessica Fragh, Maria Laura Scipioni, Horaci Filet, Donna Cohen, Kristen Wade, Kim Crawford, LeeAnn Kubbishum, Jean Barry

IMA Information

- General Announcements/Reminders
 - Committee Chair openings:
 - First Flags Program Ads
 - Business Sponsorship
 - Pit Dinners
 - Mr. Pastie (New)

- Bylaw change vote - PASSED. Results out of 81 responses:

Section	Counts Yes	Counts No
4.01 B	76	5
4.01 C	77	4
4.01 F	78	3
4.01 G	77	4
4.01 I	79	2
4.02 Title	76	5
5.01 A	78	3
5.01 B	79	2

- Board Member Nominations - Voting to occur in April
 - **Secretary:** Nicole Pierce
 - **Treasurer:** Kara Howe
 - **Financial Manager:** Lynn Franklin
 - **Vice President:** Tanya Slate
 - **President:** Doris Lynch
 - **Fundraising Coordinator:** Kathy Raub
 - **Publicity Coordinator:** Gretchen Burwell

Fundraising/Events

- Previous events
 - Noto's Deli Hoagie Coupons Profit: \$3,455
 - Panera Night \$231
 - Mardi Gras \$6,500
 - March Forth \$12,515
- Current
 - Mod Pizza - March 20th (all day)
 - Spring Flower - March 13th to April 5th
- Upcoming
 - Spring Craft Show - March 25th - Volunteers needed
 - Jazz Festival - April 29th
 - Designer Purse Bingo - May 7th - Tricky Trays & Sponsors for Purses needed

Financial Update

- Checking (\$130,968), Money Market (\$20,259)
- Upcoming expenses:
 - Scholarships to be paid to class of 2022 recipients (Jan/Feb)
 - Travel payments for Jazz Band Germany trip - 1st installment sent late-Feb for \$16,000
 - Deposits for Banquet - expected late-March
 - Deposits for FL trip
 - Total cost to IMA is approximately \$575,000
 - **Important to make trip payments on time so when payments are due we have student payments deposited and cleared for IMA to have time to make additional payments

Recurring Reminders

- Volunteers & Chaperones - Mrs. Lynch at vp@eahsmusic.org or visit eahsmusic.org
- Amazon Smile - no longer running
- Raise Right Fundraising - ongoing (Mr. Mattison)
 - <https://www.raiseright.com/resources/participant/start-earning/>
 - IMA Enrollment Code: A865B1FD6339L

Director Information

- Upcoming Events:
 - Temple University WE Invitational (Friday, March 17)
 - Depart at 7:00 AM; Back by 1:30 PM
 - Full uniform - pick up on Friday morning
 - Pack lunch
 - Northampton County Band (Saturday, March 18)
 - Report time: 11:15 AM @ EAHS
 - Transportation provided TO BECAHI, but not back to EAHS
 - Students will need to bring full uniform - white pants (no hat or gloves) pick up on Saturday
 - Concert - 7:00 PM at Becahi
 - Pre Ordered tickets - if you did not get, contact Mr. Ballentine
 - Winter Guard Competition at Liberty High School (Saturday, March 18)
 - Jazz Band: Steel Stacks (Sunday, March 19)
 - Finals round (EAHS is in the top 5 bands out of 22)
 - 2:00 PM performance time (student report time - 12:30 PM)
 - Individual Band & Orchestra photos
 - Week of March 27th
 - Be on lookout for link to purchase packages in newsletter w/o 3/20
 - Electrify Your Strings - **New Event** turns orchestra into a rock type environment
 - Tuesday, April 04 - 7:00 PM at EAMS

- Will have a guest cellist to work with all students during school day
 - Tickets
 - Online - \$5 in advance (eahsmusic.org)
 - At door - \$10
 - Grades 6 - 12 -
 - Concert -
 - 6-8 each grade performs 2 pieces
 - 9-12 will perform 3 pieces
 - Grand Finale - 6-12 play together
 - Will have a raffle for an electric violin
 - Banquet - Sunday, June 4th 2p-7p
 - Mailing went out last week via USPS
 - Every student must RSVP -
 - Paper form OR online at eahsmusic.org
 - All students attend for free
 - Guests are encouraged to attend (\$40/person)
 - Attire - Semi Formal
 - Payments can be made online or via check
 - Table Seating - please know who student would like to sit with and be sure to put names on RSVP. Will do our best to accommodate.
- Germany Trip Information
 - May 21 - 28, 2023
 - Flights into & out of Newark
 - Aer Lingus 100; 392
 - Aer Lingus 393; 101
 - Forms due April 28, 2023
 - Medical Form
 - Overnight Form
 - Medical Consent
 - Medical Authorization
 - 1 needed for each prescription medicine taken.
 - Needs doctor signature
 - Flight - full student name as it appears on their passport due April 01
 - Host Family & itinerary coming soon (waiting on Germany information)
- 2023-2024 Florida Trip Updates - Friday, 12/15/23 - *Tuesday, 12/19/23 (*updated see below)
 - Flights -
 - 4 different groups there and back. All within a 2 hour window of each other
 - Jet Blue - 1 flight - 139 students departing Newark
 - United - 2 flights - 69 students / 59 students departing Newark
 - Delta - 1 flight - 29 students departing JFK
 - Carry on allowed for each student (no add'l cost)
 - Tractor trailer to carry all instruments, uniforms & luggage
 - Itinerary -
 - Day 1 - Buffer day in case of flight issues
 - Andretti's for buffet lunch, laser tag and arcade
 - Disney Springs
 - Hard Rock Cafe dinner for full group
 - Hotel Check-In
 - Day 2 & Day 3 - no changes to original information.
 - Tentative Marching Band / Orchestra performances - will not know until 90-120 days out which day performance will be

- Performance day will decide which park is attend
- ****Day 4 - UPDATED**
 - Due to flight times, we will be staying overnight on Monday to give students full days at the park
 - Full Band dinner in evening
 - Back to hotel for additional night stay
- ****Day 5 - NEW DEPARTURE DAY**
 - Breakfast at hotel & departure to Orlando Airport
 - Same 4 different flight groups. Will arrive back at HS at different times.
 - Students DO NOT attend school on Tuesday, 12/19
 - May be back in time to attend after school practices depending on their flight
- **Cost - increased but not over original budgeted amount previously given**
 - Will not be less then \$1,650 but not more then \$1,800
 - Cost Includes -
 - Hotel Stay / Meals / Transportation in Florida / Gratuities / Park Admission / Performance costs for Band and Orchestra / 4 hotel security guards / 4 travel consultants
 - Payments - increased by \$25 each payment to account for extra cost for add'l night
 - 3/31 - \$200
 - 5/31 - \$375
 - 7/31 - \$375
 - 9/30 - \$375
 - 11/30 - remaining balance approx \$300-\$350
- Scholarships - All seniors encouraged to apply. Due April 4th
- Student Teacher from Kutztown: March 20 - May 11

Next meeting: Tuesday, April 11th @ 7:00 PM

Meeting Adjourned - 7:32pm